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In re Application of Seiji Nabeshima et al.

Serial No.: 09/680,088

Filed: October 5, 2000

For: RUST-RESISTANT CALCIUM STEEL

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

— Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

— A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.

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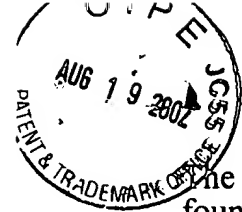
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated March 12, 2002, kindly amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Version Showing Changes to Claims

1. (Amended) A Ca-containing rust-resistant steel ~~having controlled amounts of inclusions and S concentration, said Ca-containing steel comprising Ca at a concentration of 0.0005 wt% or more, characterized in that~~ wherein the composition of said oxide inclusions and said S sulfur concentration in said steel are so controlled so that the equilibrium S sulfur soluble amount (%S inc.) value of at least 80% of CaO-containing oxide inclusions having a particle diameter of 2 μ m or larger contained in said Ca-containing steel is about 0.03 wt% or less.

Kindly cancel claim 2, without prejudice and without disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

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